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MEMORANDUM

TO: Area Program Directors

Area Program Quality Improvement Staff Area Program Provider Relations Staff Area Program Service Management Staff

FROM: Michael Moseley

THROUGH: Flo Stein, Chief, Community Policy Management Section

RE: New Forms for Reporting Incidents and Deaths

The purpose of this memo is to transit the new statewide forms for documenting and reporting incidents, deaths and restrictive interventions. Effective October 1, 2004, all providers of 122C-licensed and non-licensed services, except hospitals, must use the attached **DHHS Incident and Death Report (Form QM02)** to report Level II and III incidents involving any person receiving publicly-funded mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services, as required by 10A NCAC 27G .0600. This form replaces the **Critical Incident and Death Reporting Form (QM01)** and **the Report of Death to DHHS Form.**

The *DHHS Restrictive Interventions Details Report (Form QM03)* is also attached. Providers must attach this form, or a form with comparable information, to the *DHHS Incident and Death Report (Form QM02)* when reporting Level II and III incidents involving the use of restrictive interventions. This form may also be used to comply with the documentation requirements in 10A NCAC 27E .0104 for all use of restrictive interventions involving any person receiving mental health, developmental disabilities, and substance abuse services.

Additional details regarding requirements for responding to incidents and use of these forms can be found in the following DMH/DD/SAS memos:

• June 30, 2004, "Implementation of Permanent Rules 10A NCAC 27G .0600 Regarding LME Monitoring of Facilities and Services (SB163)"



 August 10, 2004, "Interim Steps for Implementing Permanent Rules 10A NCAC 27G .0600 Regarding LME Monitoring of Facilities and Services (SB163)."

Incident Reporting Contacts

The LMEs are responsible for ensuring that providers in their catchment areas receive these forms and information on how and when to report incidents. This information should include the LME's mailing address and fax number, as well as telephone and email contact information. The attached forms are currently available for downloading from the Division's website as PDF files, which can be printed and then completed by hand, and as MS Word forms, which can be completed electronically and then printed for submission. [Note that incident reports include confidential health information and may only be submitted electronically if the information is secured by encryption or other means.] In addition to the forms, a reference guide with additional information regarding the statewide incident system will be available on the Division website in the next few weeks.

Level III incident reports to the DHHS, as outlined in August 10, 2004 memo, should be submitted to the following addresses:

DMH/DD/SAS Quality Management Team

3004 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-3004 Fax: (919) 715-3604

Voice: (919) 733-0696

ContactDMHQuality@ncmail.net

DFS Complaint Intake Unit 2711 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2711 Fax: (919) 715-7724

Voice: (800) 624-3004 or (919) 733-8499

Rita.C.Horton@ncmail.net

Any further questions regarding the incident system should be directed to:

Quality Management Team: (919) 733-0696 or ContactDMHQuality@ncmail.net

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